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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE  
Security Committee

SECOM-D-346  
26 June 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: [redacted]  
Chief, Operations, [redacted] CIA

FROM: [redacted]  
Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: Proposed Review of USIB-D-9.1/20  
[redacted]

1. In response to your call of 26 June 1978 and mindful of previous CIA observations on the insufficiency of the Community's uniform physical security criteria for the protection of compartmented intelligence (USIB-D-9.1/20), I propose that a review of those guides be conducted by a Community ad hoc working group under the sponsorship of either the Compartmentation Subcommittee of SECOM or under the SECOM itself. I prefer the subcommittee approach and have drafted the attached memorandum to the Chairman of that subcommittee.

2. There are alternative ways of addressing this issue. The CIA member of the SECOM could bring the CIA observations to the attention of the Committee at a regular meeting and (a) request that a group be formed to review USIB-D-9.1/20, or (b) present CIA proposed revision of USIB-D-9.1/20 for adoption. In either case it would just be alternate routes to having the Community review the current guides.

3. I will be pleased to go any route you propose. No matter which procedure is adopted, I suggest that you have the [redacted] go into any meeting with a well thought out and solidly prepared position paper. Otherwise, we face a lot of talk and little action.

Attachment:

Draft to C/Compartmentation  
Subcommittee of the SECOM

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Col. Russell T. Newman  
Chairman, Compartmentation Subcommittee

FROM:

[REDACTED]  
Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: Review of USIB-D-9.1/20, "Uniform  
Physical Security Criteria for Protection  
of SCI Material"

1. This memorandum contains a request for your to form an ad hoc working group to review the physical security requirements set forth in USIB-D-9.1/20 (1973) and mandated in DCID No. 1/19, "Uniform Procedures for Administrative Handling and Accountability of Sensitive Compartmented Information," which became effective on 6 June 1978.

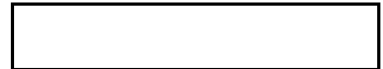
2. This request is premised on a CIA observation that USIB-D-9.1/20 represents the product of an undesirable series of compromises of physical security standards. Further, in view of the exceptionally sensitive nature of materials that will remain under Special Compartmented controls following implementation of the June 1978 Presidential Directive on Space Policy, a goal of extra ordinary physical security controls should be stipulated and required. The current guidance of USIB-D-9.1/20 fails to meet this goal in the CIA opinion.

3. As a means toward insuring full Community input to the proposed review and possible revision of the physical security standards, the Compartmentation Subcommittee mechanism should again address the issue as it did in 1972 and 1973. As a further step in the process of review, the ad hoc working

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group should be tasked with costing out and comparing the resources required for the various alternatives they may stipulate for protection of SCI with the protection of TOP SECRET collateral. To insure that an inordinate amount of time is not consumed in this review, it is proposed that a deadline for completion of the review be established no later than 120 days from initiation of the working group and that interim reports be provided the Security Committee at each of its monthly meetings during this 120-day period.



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